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I am proud to announce that the Boston Recycling Program now accepts more materials. Recycling is good for the environment, and it's important for our future. Please recycle.

—Thomas M. Menino, Mayor

IT PAYS TO RECYCLE

The City now gets paid for every ton we recycle. By recycling, you can help the City provide more services with fewer tax dollars.

REMEMBER, YOU HAVEN'T TRULY RECYCLED UNTIL...

you buy products made from materials you place at the curbside. For a brochure about buying recycled products call DEP's InfoLine at 800-462-0444 or 617-338-2255.

ILLEGAL DUMPING

If you see any illegal dumping or other environmental problems occurring in your neighborhood, please call B.E.S.T. (Boston Environmental Strike Team) 24 hour Hot Line at 635-4500.

LARGE APARTMENT BUILDING RECYCLING

Apartment buildings can participate in the curbside Recycling Program, too. Ask your building manager to call John McCarthy at 635-4959.

DROP-OFF RECYCLING

The Boston Public Works Department operates three drop-off locations.

Mission Hill—All Saturdays 9 am-3 pm Boston Building Material Co-op, 100 Terrace Street; accepts containers, papers and cardboard.

Allston/Brighton—Monday-Saturday 10 am-9 pm, Sundays 12 pm-9 pm. Located at 449 Cambridge Street (Harvest Food Co-op parking lot). Accepts containers only.

South End/Roxbury—First Saturday of the month 9 am-3 pm. Carter School at Northampton and Columbus (behind the Mass Ave. T Station). Accepts containers only.

HOME COMPOSTING BINS ON SALE

Compost Bins can be purchased for \$23 at Boston Building Materials Co-op, located at 100 Terrace Street in Mission Hill, 442-2262; or at the Franklin Park Zoo, Dorchester, 442-4896.

BLOCK CAPTAIN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Block Captains are residents who are trained about the recycling program and then spread information to their neighbors. Get involved by calling the Recycling Office at 635-4959.



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RECYCLING WITH YOUR BLUE BOX

Take your Blue Box, paper and cardboard out to the curb before 7 am on the same day that your trash is picked up. If your trash is picked up two times per week, take your Blue Box and paper out on the first trash day. If your trash is picked up three times a week, take your Blue Box and paper out on the middle trash day. The items listed on the right will be collected and recycled.

BLUE BOX TOO SMALL?

If you have more containers than will fit in your Blue Box, use another box similar in size (extra boxes you supply yourself). Write "RECYCLE" in large bold letters on the box, or call 635-4959 for a free recycling sticker, to stick on the side of your extra box:

IF YOUR BLUE BOX WASN'T PICKED UP...

Or if you never received a Blue Box, please call the Sanitation Division at 635-7573, Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 3 pm. Or call 635-4959, 3 to 5 pm.

IF YOUR TRASH WASN'T PICKED UP BECAUSE IT'S A HOLIDAY...

Then your trash and Blue Box will both be picked up one day later.

IF YOU MOVE...

Please leave your Blue Box behind for the next resident.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING FOR BOSTON RESIDENTS

PAPER AND CARDBOARD



PAPER

- ▲ Computer paper
- ▲ Junk mail
- ▲ White and colored paper
- ▲ Boxboard (e.g. cereal boxes)
- ▲ Paperback & phone books
- ▲ Newspapers/inserts
- ▲ Magazines/catalogs
- ▲ Brown paper bags
- ▲ Corrugated cardboard
- ▲ Place paper in paper bag, next to Blue Box
- ▲ Flatten cardboard to 3' x 3' and place under Blue Box
- ▲ No soiled paper
- ▲ No plastic bags
- ▲ No pizza boxes
- ▲ Remove free samples from junk mail

CONTAINERS

Place only these materials in Blue Box



GLASS

- ▲ Glass bottles/jars, all colors and sizes
- ▲ Rinse clean
- ▲ Labels, lids, neck rings may stay
- ▲ No light bulbs, dishes, window glass, glasses or ceramics
- ▲ No broken glass



METAL

- ▲ Aluminum cans
- ▲ Tin/steel cans and lids
- ▲ Aluminum foil
- ▲ Empty aerosol cans
- ▲ Rinse clean
- ▲ Labels may be left on
- ▲ May flatten



PLASTIC

- ▲ All plastic bottles, jars and tubs
- ▲ All containers marked on the bottom with
- 1 2 3 4
- 5 6 7
- ▲ Rinse clean
- ▲ Remove caps, lids, pumps and wraps
- ▲ Labels may be left on
- ▲ May flatten
- ▲ No motor oil or chemical containers
- ▲ No plastic bags



BEVERAGE CARTONS

- ▲ Milk and juice cartons
- ▲ Drink boxes
- ▲ Rinse clean, flatten
- ▲ Remove straws & caps
- ▲ Place in Blue Box with other containers

SEASONAL YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Put on your curb by 7 am ONLY on the seasonal collection days listed below



YARD WASTE DAYS

- ▲ Leaves, weeds, grass, hedge trimmings, brush
- ▲ DO NOT USE PLASTIC BAGS—Use paper lawn bags or open trash barrels
- ▲ Spring collection: First 4 Saturdays in May
- ▲ Fall collection: Last Saturday in October and first 3 Saturdays in November

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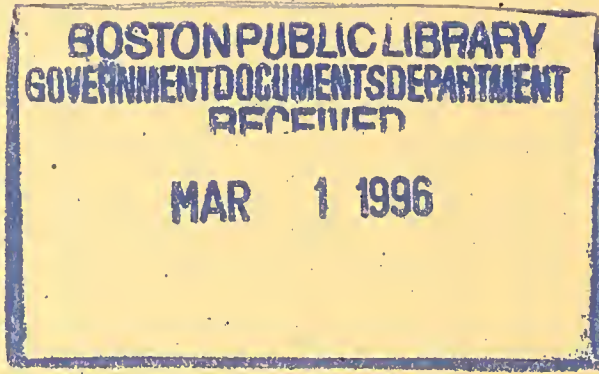
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**TO DISPOSE OF HOUSEHOLD
HAZARDOUS WASTE...**

Motor oil, batteries, oil-based paints, pesticides, household cleaners, or other hazardous items should be taken to one of Boston's hazardous waste drop-off sites. For more information, please call 635-4959.



TAKE IT TO THE STREET

THOMAS M. MENINO, MAYOR, CITY OF BOSTON
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